Judge in the Supreme Court and 26 women Judges in the High Courts.

The Government have, however, addressed letters to the Chief Ministers of the States and the Chief Justices of the High Courts, from time to time, requesting them to locate persons from the Bar belonging to Scheduled Castes, Scheduled Tribes, other Backward Classes, Minorities and amongst Women who are suitable for appointment as High Court Judges.

Claim over Taj Mahal

*436. SHRI ABU ASIM AZMI:
SHRI AMAR SINGH:

Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government had received any demand from the Government of UP for handing over the charge of Taj Mahal to Wakf Board;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) Government's reaction thereto?

THE MINISTER OF CULTURE (SHRI S. JAIPAL REDDY): (a) No, Sir.

(b) and (c) Questions do not arise.

Objectives of the ICDS

*437. SHRIMATI AMBIKA SONI:
SHRI SANTOSH BAGRODIA:

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that despite full utilisation of funds allocated under the Integrated Child Development Services (ICDS), a large number of children under the age of five die every month due to malnutrition while the main aim of ICDS is to lower the infant mortality;

(b) if so, whether Government have looked into the working of ICDS and if so, the outcome thereof; and

(c) whether Government have identified the factors responsible for failure of the ICDS and the details of the steps taken/proposed to be taken to improve ICDS and to bring down infant mortality rate?